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RESIDENTIAL FIRE 3233 Coleman Avenue

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis Fire Department responded to a house fire at 3233 Coleman Avenue, Friday, November 6, 2020 at 10:18 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported smoke visible from the one-story wood frame residential structure. Rescue and Firefighting

operations began immediately.

Fourteen (14)pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately thirty-three (33)emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Battalion Chief M. Till was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 10:30 a.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries. **During interior** search procedures, fire crews found



the family dog unresponsive in the kitchen area. They rescued and successfully resuscitated him. Red Cross provided assistance for four (4) adults.

It has been determined that the residence **did not have** a working smoke alarm. The structure sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$20,000.00 structure and \$7,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be careless disposal of smoking materials in the bedroom.

The Memphis Fire Department urges all citizens to maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check smoke alarms once a month and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** on-line at: https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/ or call the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650. Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For all other FIRE/EMS NON-EMERGENCY issues please dial (901) 458-8281.